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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26. 1785.

## THEATRE-ROYAL.

On SATURDAY, JANUARY 20. 1785,  
Will be presented, a Comedy, called,  
**THE WAY TO KEEP HIM.**

To which will be added, a Farce, called,  
**THE APPRENTICE.**

Tickets to be had, and Places for the Boxes taken, at the office of the  
Theatre.

ROYAL BANK, EDINBURGH, Jan. 26. 1785.

**THE Court of Directors of the Royal Bank**  
of Scotland give notice, That a General Court of Proprietors  
will be held at their office in Edinburgh, on Tuesday the first day of  
March next, at 2 o'clock afternoon, for the election of Governor, Deputy  
Governor, and Directors, for the year ensuing, pursuant to the Charter  
and lists of the Proprietors will be delivered out on Wednesday the 16th  
February next, and thereafter, at the usual hours of attendance at the  
Bank: And, in order to make out the said lists, no transfer of stock will  
be made from Monday the 14th February next, to the said 16th day of  
March next, both inclusive. **THOS. SHARP** Secretary.

## A NEW MAGAZINE.

On the first of February will be published,  
NUMBER FIRST.—(Price ONE SHILLING.)

## EDINBURGH MAGAZINE;

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### MONTHLY MISCELLANY,

OF KNOWLEDGE AND AMUSEMENT:  
Containing whatever is most valuable or entertaining in the ENGLISH  
and FOREIGN PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS; with a variety of  
ORIGINAL PIECES.

Printed for, and sold by J. SIBBALD, Parliament Square; by whom communications will be received with gratitude, and immediately transmitted to the Editor.

The nature of this publication is sufficiently pointed out by its title. To such as are in use to look into the London Magazines with any attention, a judicious selection from them must appear a thing desirable. The Literary Miscellanies published monthly in France, and other parts of the Continent, with which the publisher of the Edinburgh Magazine shall take care to be regularly provided, will afford likewise an ample supply of valuable and interesting materials. From these two sources certainly might be drawn what would be sufficient to form one VALUABLE REPOSITORY, independent altogether of original pieces. But even of them, a city and country framed for learning and taste, the publisher has no reason to apprehend any scarcity. Indeed, he has already been honoured with the correspondence of some most respectable literary characters, and with very obliging offers of assistance from several others, whose names, were he at liberty to mention them, would at once stamp authority upon this publication.

It is proposed not to give any high finished Engravings, of such kind of "interesting scenes," as are intitled, "A Sentimental Tete a Tete, or the Unfortunate Discovery, or the Cruel Separation: Nor any of those striking Imitations by eminent Artists, that to day serve to represent the Prince of Wales, and to-morrow Signor Lunardi. He hopes, that in the opinion of very few, will the merit of a Magazine be enhanced by such poultry embellishments.

It is necessary to take notice of another variation.—As nobody thinks of looking into a monthly publication for what is commonly called news, the historical part will be given only once every six months, and will form a large appendix to each volume. It will contain a connected view of national affairs, together with a register of events more complete, and at the same time more authentic, than it possibly could have been if published monthly.

Such is the plan which the publisher means to pursue—Its merit, and that of its execution, he humbly submits to the tribunal of the public, according to whose decision his undertaking must fall or flourish.

## FOR LONDON, THE LOVELY MARY,

W.M. BRATSON Master,

Lying in Leith harbour taking in Goods, and  
sails the first opportunity after 27th current.

The Master to be spoke with at the Exchange Coffeehouse at Change hours, mornings and evenings on board the ship, or at his house in Queen-street, Leith.

N. B. The above ship has neat accommodation for passengers, and the best of usage may be depended on.

## AT LONDON—FOR LEITH, THE STAR,

JAMES RITCHIE, Master,

Lying at the Birth at Hoare's Wharf, taking in goods for Edinburgh, and all places adjacent, deliverable at Leith, and sails the 5th February, 1785.

## AT LONDON—FOR LEITH, THE LEITH PACKET,

JOHN THOMSON Master,  
IS loading at Hawley's Wharf, for Edinburgh, and places adjacent, deliverable at Leith, and will sail on Monday 7th February, wind and weather serving.

This vessel has good accommodation for passengers. The master to be spoke with upon the Exchange at Change-hours, or at the New England Exchange. Mornings and evenings on board, —

Not to be repeated.

**FOR PHILADELPHIA,  
THE SHIP ALEXANDER,**  
ALEXANDER RITCHIE Master,  
Now lying at Greenock, ready to receive goods on board, and will sail about the 21st of February next.

N. B. This ship is an exceeding good vessel, double decked, built of live oak and cedar, sail, remarkably fast, and has excellent accommodation for passengers.

For freight or passage apply to William Donald merchant in Glasgow, or John Stewart merchant in Greenock.

Clydebank, December 22. 1784.

## M. PELLIER, OCULIST.

**M. PELLIER**, Oculist to the King of Prussia, or his way from Dublin to London, is now at Glasgow, where he has performed several operations to the satisfaction of the gentlemen of the faculty there, and proprie to be in Edinburgh early in the month of February.—His stay will be only for a few weeks.

## FORTH and CLYDE NAVIGATION.

Quarterly General Meeting of the Company of Proprietors of the Forth and Clyde Navigation Company, falls to be held on the first (being the first Tuesday) of February next, in the Parliament House here, at 11 o'clock forenoon, in terms of Act of Parliament. But as the Court of Session will then be sitting, the Meeting will adjourn to the Goldsmiths Hall.

N. B. As matters of importance to the Navigation will be laid before the Meeting, it is expected that the Proprietors will attend, either in person or by proxy.

## ASHES, ROSIN, INDIGO, and CANVAS.

**T**o be SOLD by public Auction, within the warehouses of ALLAN STEUART and COMPANY, merchants in Leith, upon Friday the 28th of February next, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

75 tons Pearl Ashes,

25 tons Dantzig Weed Ashes,

6 tons American Pot Ashes,

60 tons Yellow Ropes,

600 lbs. Carolina Indigo, and

350 pieces Packing or Spruce Canvas.

Leith, 21st January 1785.

## A WOOD to be SOLD.

**T**o be Sold by roup, at Dollar, on Tuesday the 13th day of February next, between the hours of twelve mid-day and one afternoon,

The WOOD of CASTLE CAMPBELL, consisting of Oak, Ash, Birch, Sough, and Allars, and most conveniently situated for markets, being within three miles of the harbours of Alloa and Kinardine, to either of which places it may be easily transported by good roads. The wood will be shown by the ground-officer at Dollar; and the articles and conditions of sale are to be seen in the hands of James Beaton of Mawhill, near Kinross.

For further particular, apply to James Sommers writer in Edinburgh.

## AN OLD HOUSE IN LEITH FOR SALE.

**T**o be SOLD by public Roup, in Mr Gibb's Coffeehouse, Leith, on Saturday the 29th of January current, at one o'clock afternoon,

An OLD HOUSE or AREA in the north-west corner of the Timber Bush of Leith. It stands contiguous to the shore, and is well situated for either a warehouse or granary. And there will also be exposed, the Piece of GROUND, from the north, and on a line with the house to the wall lately built.

For further particular, apply to James Sommers writer in Edinburgh.

## Garden, House, and Pertinents, for SALE.

**T**o be SOLD by public Roup, within the court-house of Leith, on Saturday the twenty-ninth day of January 1785 years, at twelve o'clock noon, That large Garden, Dwelling-house, Office-houses, Fruit-Trees, Bushes, and Pertinents, presently possessed by Adam Williamson gardener, lying on the north side of the Queensferry road, near Bonnington. The Garden consists of five Scots acres, all inclosed; lies near the Town of Leith, and commands a fine view of the Firth of Forth and City of Edinburgh; and the purchaser may get possession of the Garden, and whole garden-huff growing thereon, at Candlemas next.

The progress of works and conditions of sale to be seen in the hands of the Town-Clerk of Leith.

## BY ADJOURNMENT.

**T**o be SOLD, by public roup, in the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, on Monday the 31st of January cur't, at five o'clock afternoon,

A LODGING in the first turnpike and third storey of Craig's Close, consisting of five fire-rooms, a kitchen, and two bed-closets, both with fire-places on the principal storey. And in the back of the lodging, a small bed-room and large garret, with accommodation for servants, besides a large cellar in the close.

This Lodging is situated immediately to the east of the Royal Exchange and fronts the High Street on the south, and from the north commands an agreeable and extensive view of the Firth. The Lodging is possessed by Mr Macleod advocate.

ALSO, another LODGING, likewise fronting the street, possessed by Mr Peaston of Soutra, being the fifth and sixth stories in the same stair, consisting of five rooms, two closets, one of which has a bed-closet, with a fire-place, besides a kitchen, pantry, larder, with a large cellar in the close.—This last-mentioned house is insured in the Friendly Insurance office upon the old plan, at the rate of 1600 l. Scots, corresponding to which the proprietor will be entitled to draw an yearly dividend.

Both lodgings may be seen on Monday and Friday every week between the hours of one and three afternoon.

For further particulars, apply to James Sommers writer in Edinburgh.

## SALE of a HOUSE in Brown's Square.

**T**o be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse of Edinburgh, on Friday the 28th day of January, 1785, at one o'clock afternoon.

That HOUSE in Brown's Square, Edinburgh, belonging to Mr Sinclair of Fife, with the area in the front thereof.—The House consists of the following particulars:

## GROUND STOREY.

A large kitchen well lighted, house-keeper's room, servants hall, pantry, wine-cellar with catacombs, coal-house, water-pipe, a closet at the foot of the stair leading from the kitchen-door, office-houses, and other conveniences.

## FIRST FLOOR.

A large dining-room, a convenient butler's press in the lobby, a large back parlour and closet.

## SECOND FLOOR.

A large drawing-room, 32 feet long, 21 feet broad, and 15 feet high, with a large back drawing-room.

## THIRD FLOOR.

Three large bed-rooms, dressing-room, and three closets. A convenient closet on the top of the stair, same floor, with the bed-rooms.

Three large garrets, all with fire-places.

The house to be entered at a Whitsunday first, and may be seen every Tuesday and Friday, from twelve to two o'clock.

The articles of roup, with the title-deeds, to be seen in the hands of Alexander Mackenzie, writer to the signet.

## Judicial Sale of Factory Subjects in Glasgow.

BY ADJOURNMENT.—AND UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

**T**o be SOLD within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 3d day of March 1785, betwixt the hours of four and five o'clock afternoon,

The Whole HOUSES and AREA, lately possessed by Messrs. Ayton, Blackburn, and Colvill, partners of the Haitham Linen and Dying Manufacturers, and extremely well adapted for carrying on business of that kind, comprehending the dwelling house possessed by Mr. William Gardner, with the Warehouses, Yarn-room, Heckling-house, Weaving and Dying Factories, &c.—The Stable, Hay-loft, and Cellars, which were formerly possessed, along with the Dwelling-house, which belonged to the deceased Andrew Ayton, late merchant in Glasgow, are to be sold along with these factory subjects.—And the upset price of the whole is now to be 500 l. Sterling.

The articles of roup may be seen in the office of Mr George Kirkpatrick, Deputy-clerk of Session; and any other information may be got, by applying to William Dick, writer to the signet, or Claud Marshall, writer in Glasgow.

## ADJOURNMENT OF THE

## ROUP of HOUSES in Prince's-Street.

**T**HE sale of the HOUSES in that street, possessed by Alexander Walker, John Spottiswood, Mrs. Hutton, and Alexander Smith, advertised for the 23d current, is necessarily delayed for some days.

The after day of roup will very soon be advertised.

## TO BE SOLD, BY PRIVATE BARGAIN,

**T**HE HOUSE in Prince's-Street, New-Town, No. 4, presently possessed by Mr John Sinclair of Stevenson, Bart. consisting of a dining-room, drawing-room, five large bed-rooms, and kitchen, with garret, cellar, and other conveniences. The purchaser may also have a coach-house and stables adjacent to the house.

The Large SHOP adjoining to Mr. Young and Trotter's Ware-room, upon the south side of Prince's-Street, possessed by Mrs Kidd milliner, with a good back room, kitchen, and other conveniences.—As also, the HOUSE immediately below this shop, possessed by Mr Walker, consisting of five rooms and a kitchen. If one person become purchaser both of the shop and house, he may easily have a communication between them by a stair; but the house is now under lease for two years from Whitunday next.

This large new-built house lying in George's street, New-Town, immediately to the east of St. Andrew's church. It consists of a dining room about nineteen feet square, a drawing room of twenty-four feet long by nineteen broad, eleven smaller rooms, with a kitchen, cellar, and other conveniences. Along with the house, will be sold, a Coach-house and Stables, if desired.

And that Dwelling house situated at the back of the Royal Exchange, and entering by Allan's close, presently possessed by Andrew Croftie, Esq; Advocate, which consists of a large dining room and drawing room, five bed-rooms and a kitchen, with cellar, a water-pipe, and other conveniences. There is also belonging to the house a small Garden and Stable.

All these subjects, if not sold before Candlemas next, will be let, as several persons are applying for them. For farther particulars, enquire at William Buchan, writer to the signet, Lady Stair's close.

## LANDS in the County of Perth

### TO BE SOLD—BY ADJOURNMENT.

**T**o be exposed to SALE by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Council and others, within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh; upon Wednesday the 2d day of March 1785, betwixt the hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills.—AT A REDUCED PRICE,

The LANDS and ESTATE of KILGRASTOWN, which pertained to the deceased John Craigie of Kilgrastown, lying in the parishes of Dunbarrie, Dron, and Abernethy, and thre of Perth.

These lands consist of 1754 acres 1 rood 32 falls, all conveniently situated, in a fine rich country, within a few miles of the town of Perth. The north part of the estate is most pleasantly bounded by the river of Earn, and a great part of it has been beautifully laid out in different infusions, and in a variety of valuable woods and plantations, which are all in a very thriving condition. The mansion-house, with a very neat set of offices-houses, lately built upon the premises, lie about a quarter of a mile well from the Bridge of Earn.

The yearly proven rent of the estate, after deduction of the feu-duties, public burdens, and the valued teind of such parts of the estate as lie in the parishes of Dron and Dunbarrie, out of which last the tithes to the ministers of Dron and Dunbarrie fall to be paid, is 1273 l. 10s. 11d. 11-12ths; and the whole lands, exclusive of those that hold of subjects, stand rated in the cadastral books at about 2000 l. Scots. The proof of the rental was led in January 1782, since which the rent has increased a good deal, and in letting the lands, the greatest attention has been paid to the interest of whosoever shall become purchasers.

Twenty-two years purchase of the proven rental, exclusive of the value of the woods, extends to L. 28,066 4 4 2-12ths

To which falls to be added, the value of

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Which makes the upset price of the estate L. 30,311 5 10 2-12ths

If this estate does not sell in whole, it will be exposed in the following Lots, viz.

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St James's, January 22.

THE King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Sir Charles Middleton, Bart. Edward Hunt, John Hennell, George Marsh, George Rogers, William Palmer, William Campbell, Edward Le Cras, John Laforey, Henry Martin, Charles Proby, and Henry Duncan, Esqrs. to be Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's navy.

Whitehall, January 22.

The following address of the gentlemen, clergy, freemen and freeholders of the city of Dublin, having been transmitted by his Grace the Duke of Rutland, Lord Lieutenant of the kingdom of Ireland, to the Right Honourable Lord Sydney, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the home department, has, by his Lordship, been presented to the King: Which address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Gentlemen, Clergy, Freemen and Freeholders of the city of Dublin, whose names are hereunto subscribed.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Person with the warmest affection, duty, and respect, and with the most sincere professions of inviolable attachment to your Majesty's government, and to our happy constitution.

We might justly be deemed insensible and unworthy of the blessings of which, through your Majesty's auspicious care, through the justice and liberality of Great Britain, and through the wife and firm exertions of our legislature, we have obtained the enjoyment, if we omitted this seasonable occasion of declaring our rooted abhorrence of every attempt to create unjust and dangerous discontents, tending to subvert the constitution in church and state. We reject, with indignation, the interference of any body of men unknown to the laws or constitution. We rely upon the continuance of your Majesty's paternal regard for the welfare of this kingdom, feeling the warmest and most grateful confidence in your Majesty's late gracious declaration, and in the equity and wisdom of the respective legislatures of Great Britain and Ireland, that such regulations upon the important objects of trade and commerce will be established, as shall be found best calculated to promote the wealth and prosperity of all parts of your Majesty's empire. We cherish a firm and unchangeable attachment to the connection with our sister kingdom, as the great band of mutual strength and safety. And we will suffer no assumed authority to dictate to the legislature of the land.

[This address was signed by 21 Peers, and 1000 Commoners.]

Petersburgh, Dec. 28. On Friday last, the 24th instant, her Imperial Highness the Great Dutchess was safely delivered of a Princess. Her Imperial Highness is in the fairest way of recovery, and the new-born princess is in perfect health.

War-Office, Jan. 22. 1785.

Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, Edmund Rolfe, Gent. is appointed to be Cornet, vice Francis Chapman.

25th Regiment of Dragoons, Robert Pocklington, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Ralph George Smyth.

12th Regiment of Foot, Lieutenant John Byron to be Captain Lieutenant, vice George Bambrick. Ensign William Reed to be Lieutenant, vice John Byron. John Perrot Noel, Gent. to be Ensign, vice William Reed.

14th Regiment of Foot, John Langton, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Frederick Meard.

38th Regiment of Foot, Sergeant-Major William Brown to be Quarter-Master, vice Timothy Nicholson.

39th Regiment of Foot, Ensign Robert Hall, from half-pay in the 72d regiment, to be Ensign, vice William Caldwell.

54th Regiment of Foot, Samuel Wood, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Robert Partridge.

60th Regiment, 1st Battalion, Ensign James Bruere, of 98th regiment, to be Ensign, vice John Lennox.

63d Regiment of Foot, Alexander Wemyss, Gent. to be Ensign, vice Murray.

98th Regiment of Foot, Thomas Brown, Gent. to be Ensign, vice James Bruere.

INTELLIGENCE FROM LLOYD'S, Jan. 21.

THE following ships were arrived at Madras in the months of June and July, viz. Fouli, Poniborne, Hulborough, Contractor, Valentine, Middlesex, and Earl Mansfield.

The Ganges sailed from St Helena the 18th of October, and left no ships there.

The Mary Ann, Young, from Bristol for Boston, is lost near Plymouth in New England.

The Robert and Ann, McDowell, from Maryland to London, sprung a leak at sea, and is put into St Andro to unload; it is feared the ship must be condemned; the cargo is much damaged.

The Amy, Salmon, from London to Dublin, is put into Waterford by contrary winds.

The Medway transport, Miller, has been on shore in the Bay of Fundy, but is got off and under repair.

The Grantham packet, arrived at Falmouth, spoke, on the 7th inst. with the Vernon, Shaw, from Jamaica to London, who had been out 67 days, in long 13. W. on the 2d inst. met with heavy gales of wind, which carried away her head, &c. The same day spoke the Sally, Crook, from New Providence to London, who had been out 46 days, in long 10. W. On the 9th inst. fell in with the General Elliott, Lee, from Newfoundland to Dartmouth, had been out 7 weeks: On the 1st inst. in a gale of wind, she lost all her masts, &c. and having 4 feet water in her hold, and in want of provisions, the people quitted her, and were taken on board the Grantham.

From the London Papers, Jan. 22.

Paris, Jan. 10. They write from Versailles, that the exemptions of that quarter went into all the coffee-houses and public places, and gave notice, that if any persons should report as certain a declaration of war between France and the Emperor, they would be sent to prison. This order, on the part of the ministry, arises from a precaution observed towards the Queen, who is made very unhappy, in her present state of pregnancy, by any imprudent reports that give her reason to fear a rupture of the peace and union which at present subsist between her husband and brother.

The Count de Robadange, as Inspector, received yesterday an order from the Marshal de Segur, as did also his colleagues, to inform all the officers now upon furlow, that they have leave not to rejoin their different corps, till they are joined by their Colonels.

The Marquis de Castris has declared publicly that peace is certain.

Liège, Jan. 12. The military preparations which were making in our environs have ceased suddenly by an Imperial order. It is assured, that France has so far prevailed over the Emperor's disposition as to awaken in his mind all those sentiments of humanity which have hitherto characterised that monarch.

Vienna, Jan. 1. Our letters from Trieste bring, that the

Governor of that place, to whom an order had been sent to prepare three batteries, against any attack from the Dutch, had since received a counter-order to discontinue them.

Vienna, Dec. 29. They write from Transylvania, that on the 25th of last month several of the Wallachian rebels were put to death at Carlbourg and Mulbach, the son of Horish, one of the chiefs of the insurgents, being impaled, and the others beheaded.

Hamburg, Dec. 25. According to estimates circulating here of the military forces of several of the European powers, it appears, that the Prussian armies are composed of 263,011 men, of whom 163,809 are infantry, and 39,201 cavalry; and that they are thus divided: Artillery 10,500 men; in the Marche, 41,560 infantry, and 3996 cavalry; in Magdeburg, 16,632 infantry, and 3440 cavalry; in Pomerania, 11,750 infantry, and 7646 cavalry; in Prussia, 32,102 infantry, and 11,586 cavalry; in Westphalia, 13,088 infantry; and in Silesia, 38,217 foot, and 12,434 horse.

L O N D O N .

This morning, some dispatches were received from Philadelphia, which were brought over in the Party, Captain Rutledge, arrived at Cowes.

Just as the King left St James's yesterday, the Austrian Minister arrived, in order to have had an audience; but as his Majesty was gone, he held a conference with the two Secretaries of State.

We hear from good authority, that Dr Franklin, and another gentleman, on the part of America, will be in London soon after the meeting of Parliament, to confer, as is supposed, with the Minister on the subject of commerce.

A correspondent has informed us, that it is already settled, as a measure of the Cabinet, that his Majesty's Speech on Tuesday next "is to make mention of a parliamentary reform either in the way of recommendation or suggestion; that the Speech is also to recommend the consideration of the interest of the public funds, and the care of the American Loyalties."

Who is to be the motion for what has been so long talked of, so long in vain wished and wanted, an equal land-tax?

This single expedient of an equal land-tax would alone be sufficient to supply the deficiencies of the other taxes, and make such an addition to the sinking fund, as might excite a well-warranted hope of gradual liquidation.

The Lords of the Treasury have sent orders to the Commissioners of the Customs, dated the 5th instant, to enquire into the particulars of the illicit conveyance of live sheep and wool to the coasts of France; in consequence of which the Commissioners have issued orders on the above subject to the officers in the wool department at the Custom-house, London, as well as at the several out-ports. This is preparatory to bringing a bill into Parliament early in the approaching sessions for the more effectual prevention of smuggling sheep and wool out of the kingdom.

The unrepealed act of the 8th of Elizabeth expresses, that after suffering a year's imprisonment, every offender convicted of conveying sheep or wool out of the kingdom, shall, "in some open market town, in the fulness of the market on the market day, have his left hand cut off, and that to be nailed up in the open place of such market." And the same act says, the second offence shall be punished with death.

It is a fact, that the wool which sells for seven pounds in England, produces from fifteen to eighteen pounds per pack at Dunkirk and other places on the French coast.

It is said that Mr Staunton has come home principally for the purpose of settling a very unpleasant difficulty started by the French in regard to Trincomalee. By the peace it was agreed, that the French should restore it to us, for the purpose of our restoring it to the Dutch; but they insist on delivering it up immediately to the Dutch, without putting it at all into our hands. The friends of Mr Hastings say that this is Mr Staunton's chief business, and that he has left India in profound and general tranquillity.

There is certain intelligence in town, that the tyrant Tippoo hearing that Mrs Matthews, the wife of the General, was a most beautiful and accomplished woman, was desirous of getting her into his power, and for this reason he most insidiously compelled the General, her husband, to write a letter to his Lady, informing her, that he was used most handsomely by Tippoo the Sultan, and that his only want was her dear society; he therefore prised her to come to him with all convenient speed. Mrs Matthews actually set out against the advice of those who knew the ferocious nature of Tippoo; but in her eagerness and haste to obey her husband, she outran her strength, and was taken ill. Before her recovery news came of the atrocious cruelties practising on our officers, and the Lady, by this seafarable delay, in all probability, saved both her honour and her life. Mrs Matthews is the daughter of Mr Jackson, late of the Admiralty.

The gentlemen of the army would do well to take up the case of Captain Mackenzie, as the ground of introduction of some more natural and fair tribunal for the arraignment of officers who may be charged with offences in foreign military governments. Let it be supposed that any Governor of a British settlement should expose to immediate execution the ringleader of a mutiny in his garrison against his life and command. How would such a man relish the state of his property, his honour, and his life, in the hands of common law Judges, and London tradesmen, assembled at the Old Bailey, for the trial of offences merely of a civil nature. The law should be here amended, and general officers should have the sway in a court formed upon such an occasion.

A daily paper says, that an offer has been made to Earl Fitzwilliam, that the Marquis of Rockingham, that belonged to his late uncle, should be revived in him. The offer, it is said, was made in the most handsome manner, without having any stipulated condition annexed to it. The noble Earl, however, politely declined the intended honour.

PRICE OF STOCKS, JAN. 22.

Bank Stock, —	Ditto 1751. glut.
5 per cent Stock, 87 1/2 a 88 3/4.	India Stock, glut.
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 72 1/2 a 73 1/2.	3 per cent. Ann. —
3 per cent. con. glut. 55 1/2 a 56 a 55 1/2 ex div.	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. red. 56 1/2 a 57.	Ditto unpaid, 1 dñe.
3 per cent. 1746, glut.	Exchequer Bills, —
Long Ann. glut. 17 1/2 ex div.	Navy Bills, —
Short Ann. 1778, glut.	3 per cent. Scrip. —
South Sea Stock, —	4 per cent. Scrip. —
3 per cent. Old Ann. —	Omnium, —
Ditto New Ann. 55 1/2 a 56.	Prizes, 13 dñe.

WIND AT DEAL, JAN. 21. S. by E.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Jan. 22.

Things remain in the same uncertain state respecting the Emperor of Germany and the States of Holland as before, except, indeed, that the Ambassador of their High Mightinesses is more frequent in his conferences with his Majesty, and the Secretaries of State, than ever.

Great numbers of the members of both Houses are already come to town, and great numbers are continually arriving, in order to attend their duty on Tuesday next, when both Houses are expected to be fully attended.

Notwithstanding the sanguine hopes entertained of a parliamentary reform, and the support it is expected to have from the Administration, it is a well known fact, that the Minister means to give it nothing more than his good wishes, or, in other words, that any motion on the subject will have as *decent* a funeral as possible.

The meeting of the Opposition at the St Albans Tavern was equally numerous as respectable, there being present about one hundred and twenty members of the Lower House, besides a great many Peers.

Great care is said to have been taken in framing the Speech to be delivered from the Throne, in a manner to avoid, if possible, much altercation on the subject, and no great debate is expected to arise upon the motion for the address usually moved for; though Opposition, it is said, mean to keep a watchful eye on the conduct of Administration, and to expose every measure that may be open to attack."

Larbert, Jan. 18. 1785. Died the Rev. Dr Lachlan Taylor, minister of the gospel of the united parishes of Larbert and Dunipace.

Last night, the Earl of Fife arrived at Walker's Hotel on his way to London.

In our last, we gave a short account of the pleadings on the relevancy of the indictment in the case of Lieutenant Stoile, for the murder of William Stuart surgeon in Paisley. The examination of witnesses being concluded, the Lord Advocate charged the Jury on the part of the prosecutors. He was followed by Mr Maclaurin for the panel. The Lord Justice Clerk then proceeded to sum up the evidence, in which he observed there was the less reason to be minute, as the two learned gentlemen, who before addressed them, had already done that business with the greatest propriety and candour. It, therefore, in a great measure, only remained for him to inform the Jury, what he took the liberty of hinting to them in a former stage of the trial, that, if the panel was successful in proving the defence set up for him, he could not be found guilty of *murder*, but only of *culpable homicide*. This, his Lordship added, he, as well as the other Judges, were fully satisfied was established by the proof led in this case, and, consequently, had no doubt that the Jury would return a verdict, acquitting the panel of *murder*, but finding him guilty of *culpable homicide*. The Jury were then inclosed; and yesterday, at one o'clock, returned a verdict, all in one voice finding the panel *not guilty of murder*; but, at the same time, finding him *guilty of culpable homicide*. The consideration of the sentence to be pronounced, in consequence of the above verdict, is delayed till Saturday next at twelve o'clock.

Yesterday, being the day appointed for the moderation of a call in favour of the Rev. Mr William Simpson, minister of Morebattle, to be one of the ministers of this city, in room of the Rev. Dr Webster deceased, the same was presented at a meeting of the General Sessions, and signed in the usual manner. Previous to which, however, a ~~debate~~ <sup>in</sup> place concerning the wording of the call, which was alledged to be contrary to the form used upon such occasions; and those reverend gentlemen who objected to it upon that account, signed it under protest, that their so doing should not be held as any homologation of such an innovation. It was contended, on the other hand, that nothing contained in the call was different from the ordinary form, except stating the fact, of Mr Simpson's being called to Lady Yester's Church, which was done by his own consent, instead of the Tolbooth Church, to which he received the presentation from the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council; and that, without such preamble, justice could not have been done to all parties concerned.

The above call was this day presented to the Presbytery, which they were pleased to sustain. Upon this occasion also, some trifling debate took place; when a motion was made by the Reverend Mr Kemp, that a committee of their number should be appointed to draw up the form of a call, which, when agreed to by the Presbytery, should be recorded in their books, and that form followed in all time coming, without deviation, unless the particular circumstances of the case should render such deviation necessary, and the Presbytery should approve of it. This motion was agreed to, and a committee appointed. There was no other business of any importance before this meeting of Presbytery.

The Committees for a reform of the county elections in Scotland, have unanimously resolved to apply to Parliament immediately for an act to abolish *nominal* and *figurative* votes, an abuse long complained of, as contrary to the rights of the *real* voters, and destructive of the morals of the people.

The Committees respecting the distillery act, passed last session, have also unanimously agreed to apply to Parliament to have that act altered.

Saturday evening, the inhabitants of Wragby, in the county of Lincoln, were much diverted by the son of a farmer riding a bull instead of a horse. The farmer having entered only one riding horse, and fearful of being made to pay a fine if he rode one of the plough horses, and the son being very desirous to pay a visit with his father, was the cause of this adventure. The bull performed the journey entirely to the satisfaction of the rider and all the spectators.

The Love and Unity of Aberdeen, Captain Brown, arrived at Philadelphia the 14th November, all well.

They write from Aberdeen, that, for about a week past, the weather has been open and mild; the strong drying winds from the S. W. have cleared off all the snow, and plowing goes on very briskly all over the country. This is a fortunate circumstance for farmers, considering how far behind the labouring was put, owing to the early commencement of the storm.

The quantity of counterfeit halfpence lately imported into this country, and still import, is very troublesome to retail shopkeepers and others. If this practice continues, an example should be made of some of the most notorious importers; and on purpose to answser the circulation, government should send down a quantity of new halfpence, which would be the best way to put a stop to this growing evil.

Monday night some villains broke into a shop in the Grass-

market, and carried off a considerable quantity of linen cloth which had been taken into the bleachfield, besides dressed lint, hardware, and other goods. It is said the poor shopkeeper can ill sustain such a heavy loss.

*Extract of a letter from Dumfries, Jan. 25.*

"Last Tuesday, was brought on before the Sheriff-court here, the trial at the instance of the Fiscal of Court, and Thomas Davidson, against forty-two persons for assaulting the *Bu-chanians* at Closeburn, on the 24th ult. and breaking into the house they occupied, belonging to Davidson, and possessed jointly by him and them. The Court was uncommonly crowded, and the proof was not finished till next day at one o'clock, owing, in a great measure, to the backwardness of the witnesses to bear evidence, it being with the utmost difficulty that they were made to discover the truth; and the first witness was committed to jail, after undergoing an examination of two hours, for prevaricating and suppressing the truth. However, the Sheriff has found the libel proven against thirteen of the defenders, and fined five of them thirty pounds Scots, and the other eight in twenty pounds Scots, and appointed them to find caution to keep the peace for twelve months, and continued the cause against the other defenders for five weeks. Against which sentence, although thought very moderate by every member of Court, the defenders have entered an appeal to the Circuit Court of Justiciary, to be held here in May next. But it is generally thought and hoped, for the honour of the laws of this country, that, if they persist and bring the matter before the Supreme Court, they will be made to feel the law in a more exemplary manner from the Lords of Justiciary than they have done from the Sheriff."

The present age tempts with discoveries of the most useful kind. Amongst those, none has brought so much credit or more profit to its author than that of the preparation of the truly curious Indian Earth, called by the natives *AOUARA*, to the use of which is ascribed that beautiful set of teeth the Chinese boast of above all European nations. It sells now under the very proper name of Asiatic Tooth Powder, and may safely be said to challenge comparison with all tooth powders ever known in Europe, both as to the safety of its use, and its uncommon efficacy. Hence the general use it is brought into among all genteel classes of people in this kingdom. The beautiful white it gives to the teeth accounts for the laughing mood Ladies and Gentlemen affect to be in upon every trifling occasion. The ton in most polite circles is, who has got the whitest teeth; and the wonderful effects of the Asiatic Tooth Powder is a most common topic.

#### THE LEITH ASSEMBLIES

Are to open on Thursday the 3d of February.

Ladies Tickets to be had gratis of any Subscriber; each member having the disposal of two, for every Assembly.

Gentlemen's Tickets to be had of the Treasurer for 2s. 6d. each, and can only be delivered to such as bring a written order from a Subscriber; each member having the liberty to recommend one Gentleman to each Assembly.

N. B. No tickets can be issued, or money taken at the door.

*To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.*

S I R,  
FORMERLY there were sanctuaries in Britain that possessed a legal right to protect atrocious criminals from the hands of justice. The same absurdity, with many others, still exists in certain Catholic countries.

A member of the College of Justice, who hath landed property in any county of Scotland, pays the King's fees, charity to the poor, and minister's stipend. Similar payments, besides town's burdens, take place, if he hath real property in any burgh in Scotland, Edinburgh excepted. There the man of justice is exempted from the town's impost upon wine and spirits, although it is paid by every other person. He contributes nothing as a legal payment either to kirk or poor; and although the man of justice is protected by the watchmen and firemen, &c. both in his person and property, yet, strange to tell, even for evident value received, the man of justice refuses to pay his share.

Edinburgh, of late, has been much improved and enlarged:

She is certainly the second city in Britain, as a residence for genteel company, and bids fair to attract from England many of that denomination.

From the West Port to the bottom of the Canongate it measures at least a good Scotch mile;

and yet, in this great stretch, there is only one passage for carriages from the south to the High-Street and to the New Town, viz. St. Mary's Wynd.

This pass is a great and inevitable thorough-fare, and yet so narrow, that in no place can two carriages pass with ease; and in one place they cannot pass at all.

The turn at the Cowgate Port, where four roads meet, is sharp and narrow. At the Netherbow Port, where four roads likewise meet, there is, towards Leith, a dangerous steep declivity; and, indeed, the difficulty of the passage is here so great, that a couple of staves are necessary to prevent voluntary difficulties: real ones are unavoidable. St. Mary's Wynd measures 260 ordinary walking-steps of a man of sixty.

Many improvements are wanting. A South Bridge is not merely an improvement: it is absolutely necessary. Accordingly, it was very recently proposed to set a-going, upon conjunct funds, 1. The South Bridge; 2. A Carriage-way along the Bridge, from Nicolson's Park to the Tron Kirk; 3. Abolition of Impost upon Spirits and Wine; 4. A Bridewell; 5. Removal of the City Walls and Gates; And, 6. Additional Lamps. It was proposed, as part of the ways and means for carrying on these conjunct improvements, that the members of the College of Justice should pay to kirk and poor, *pari passu* with the other citizens; but that, for reasons to me unknown, they should still be exempted from watch-money; and that, like other citizens, they should pay, upon a house of 50 l. per annum, 10 s. for additional lamps, and 8 s. as substitution for impost. It is to be observed, that the proposed improvements are in one respect more advantageous to the College of Justice than to others; because the Gentlemen of the Long Robe keep more carriages than all Edinburgh besides.

The Senators of the College of Justice have a free seat in church, in their public character as Judges. They have, besides, a free seat for their families. These favours exceed what is now asked from them, under the two heads of "Lamp Money," and "Substitution for Impost." I am satisfied in my own mind, that the exemptions, which are now enjoyed within Edinburgh, by the members of the College of Justice, are very unreasonable and unjust; but then, like sanctuaries of old, they may be perfectly legal. To suppose that lawyers will relinquish, by compulsion, a law favourable to themselves, though unjust to others, is, I am afraid, too violent a hypothesis. Besides, I am told that the requisition, on the part of the Good

Town, was not brought forward in a very conciliating manner.—A favour is surely worth asking. I would therefore approach these Gentlemen in a manner most likely to awake their generosity, and regard for the public: I would ask them, as a favour, to pass a self-denying ordinance: I would signify to them, that the favour asked by the public, though great *in cumulo*, is a trifle to individuals; and that the remembrance of their generosity, in giving up a trifling personal exemption in favour of the public, of which they themselves are part, should be perpetuated to posterity upon a handsome medallion, to be erected on an eminent part of the Bridge. The Gentlemen of the Faculty of Advocates always get a learned and often a liberal education. Many of them, as men of family and fortune, enjoy besides the advantage of having travelled. They have seen and admired the architecture, and other fine arts of Italy. The works and praises of distinguished artists are frequent in their mouths; and yet, strange to tell! the Faculty of Advocates refuses its mite, to render the capital of their country; the place probably of their own education, and that of their children; the place of their own six months residence, amusement, and elegant society: they refuse, I say, their mite, to render Edinburgh more commodious and ornamented. If the Gentlemen of the Long Robe could invert the case, and throw upon the *Burghers*, commonly so called, the imputation of a sordid selfish negative, it is likely there would be no want of opprobrious epithets.

Gentlemen who oppose improvements in Edinburgh, under the absurd idea of making court to Mr Fox, will find themselves much mistaken in their man. It is well known that Charles possesses a liberal and elevated mind; that he is an honest fellow, and a man of taste. The celibacy of the clergy is to be reproved for one among many other reasons, because it prevents posterity from glorying in the unlikeness of people who might have been one's ancestors. In Oxford and Cambridge, no less than twelve colleges were built and endowed by clergymen. Women were ambitious of this real glory. Cambridge boasts of five fair foundresses of colleges and halls. Oxford is not so fortunate in this respect. She boasts only of one, viz. Elizabeth Tudor. The Old and New Colleges of Aberdeen owe their existence to Bishop Elphinstone, and the family of Marischal. Archbishop Turnbull was the founder of the University of Glasgow. Bishop Wardlaw founded the University of St Andrew's. St Salvador's College was added by Bishop Kennedy; St Leonard's College by Heribert, prior of St Andrew's. King James VI, though no bishop, was at least their good friend, and a great divine for a last century man. He is the last royal founder in Britain: and, though poor enough, God knows, he founded the College of Edinburgh, anno 1580.

It is like marrow to one's bones to think, that such people were, and we must look down with contempt upon mean drolling exemptions, that oppose what tends to utility and ornament in the metropolis of one's country. The Faculty of Advocates refuses to part with little mean partial exemptions, and thereby, as far as lies in its power, the Faculty defeats splendid improvements, of which they were to enjoy their full share. The other branches of the College of Justice have not been convened on the subject. The proposed improvements are all desirable. The Bridge is necessary.—What then is to be done? I have thought of a toll upon the Bridge. The word *toll* is ungrateful to the ear; it supposes a hand put into one's pocket. But how are improvements to be had without? Some tolls are meant to be inevitable, and indeed to evade them is penal. Others, such as Blackfriars and the one now proposed, are voluntary; for with us, not only are the old avenues left free, but a new free one is to be opened from Nicolson's Park to the Cowgate, and from the Cowgate to the Tron Kirk. If all carriages from the south were to land at the Tron Kirk, where four very frequent roads would meet, the confluence would be too great, and would be dangerous to the limbs and lives of the lieges. A toll would lessen the danger, because the poorer sort would use other avenues. Suppose the toll to be productive, how must the money be applied? 1st. To indemnify the town for her impost; 2d, to endow a Bridewell; 3d, to increase lamps. When these appropriations are complete, let the toll go towards building a new College.—Of the present, we may say with truth what was said of Buchanan, it is both *deus et deditus patria*. NERVA.

*Edin. Jan. 24. 1784.*

ARRIVED AT LEITH, Jan. 24. Reward, GIBB, from KÖNIGSBERG, with peace, &c.—26. William and John Hunter, from Hull, with goods; Friendship, Bruce, from Lincolns, light.

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**WANTED,**  
ELEVATION and Sections of a SPIRE or STEEPLE for St Andrew's Church, Edinburgh.

The Base is eighteen feet square.

The said Elevation and Sections to be delivered to the Lord Provost on or before the first day of May next; and the person whose design shall be approved of will be entitled to a premium of Ten Guineas.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

**HOUSES in Canongate-head to be SOLD.**

**T**o be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, on

Tuesday next the 15th of February, at five o'clock afternoon.

The Fifth Flat or Storey of INGLIS'S LAND, entering from the scale stairs, a little to the northward of the Excise Office. It is laid out in two houses, the one consisting of four rooms and a kitchen, and the other of three rooms and a kitchen, and will be sold either together or separately.

The subject is infured in the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance Office upon the old plan. A small part of the premium remains unpaid up.

The articles of roup, and the title-deeds, which are clear, may be seen on applying to James Jollie writer to the signet.

**SALE of LANDS in PERTHSHIRE.**

**T**o be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 2d of February 1785, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of TRINITY-GASK, with the mill and pertinents, lying in the parish of Trinity-Gask, and shire of Perth.

The free yearly rent, after deduction of cfs, and all other public burdens, and converting the vical at an average price, is 439. 6s. 5d. Sterling.—The rental, and progres of rents, which is clear, are in the hands of John Haldane writer in Edinburgh.

#### MEETING OF CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of ALEXANDER GRAHAM and COMPANY are desired to meet by themselves or their does properly authorized, in the Tontine Tavern, Glasgow, on Thursday the 27th January at 12 o'clock precisely, in order to sign some papers preparatory to a dividend to be made by the assignees in London. And those who may be prevented from attending that day, are desired to call at Mr Gilbert Hamilton's writing room in Queen-street, betwixt and Monday the 31st January to sign the same, else they will be cut off from the dividend.

#### NOTICE

THE Trustees for the Creditors of the deceased WILLIAM SELKIRK, merchant in Lanark, think themselves bound to intimate to all concerned, that an edict has been raised at the instance of certain of the said William Selkirk's creditors, before the Commisary here, for having them declared and confirmed executors qua creditors to him. Such persons, therefore, as have claims against the said William Selkirk, are requested to transmit the same to James Currie, writer in Lanark, one of the Trustees, or to their agents there, so as they may be ranked *pari passu* with the raiders of said edict.

At the same time, the Trustees request a Meeting of the Creditors, or their agents properly authorized within the house of John Haddow printer in Lanark, on Friday the eighteenth of February next, on business of the utmost importance to their interest.

*Lanark, Jan. 25. 1785.*

#### NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES and PATRICK HUNTER and CO; Merchants in Port-Claigow, and of the said JAMES HUNTER, and PATRICK HUNTER, and THOMAS ARTHUR Merchant in Irvine, Partners of the above Company, as Individuals.

THE real and personal estates of the said James and Patrick Hunter and Co. and of the said James and Patrick Hunter, and Thomas Arthur, as individuals, having been sequestrated upon the 24th day of November last upon the present bankrupt act; and a meeting of their creditors having been held at Clagow upon the 27th day of the same month, Gilbert Hamilton merchant in Clagow was elected interim-factor. And at an after meeting upon the 11th day of January instant, Archibald Hamilton merchant in Clagow was chosen trustee; and failing of him by death or resignation, &c. certain other persons therein mentioned.

The said Archibald Hamilton, therefore, in terms of the statute, requires the whole creditors of the said James and Patrick Hunter, and Co. and of the said James and Patrick Hunter, and Thomas Arthur as individuals, to produce in his hands their respective grounds of debt, and vouchers thereof, with oaths of verity thereon, and that betwixt and the 24th day of August next; with certification, that they will not draw any share of the first distribution of the effects of the bankrupts, unless this notice is complied with.

ARCH. HAMILTON.

#### FARMS TO LET.

**T**o be LET, for nineteen years, and entered to at Martians next, the FARM of CADHAM in the parish of Leslie, and county of Fife, consisting of about 112 acres of exceeding good arable land;—And the SOUTH PARKS of Leslie, consisting of about 228 acres all inclosed and subdivided into inclosures of proper size, and well sheltered with hedges of planting. There is a very neat and commodious House and Offices on the South Parks, and a good Farm House and Offices on Cadham. The farms will be tilled by Alexander Gibb, baron officer in Leslie; and offers will be received by John Tait writer to the signet, Shakespear-Square, or John Robertson writer, Meal-market stairs, Edinburgh, any time between and 1st April next; and none of the offers will be published, excepting those that shall be accepted.

#### HOUSES IN EDINBURGH.

**T**o be exposed to SALE, by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, upon Wednesday the 9th day of February 1785, at six o'clock in the afternoon.

#### THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

I. That LODGING in Gavinkloch's Land, opposite the head of Forrester's Wynd, being the fifth storey above the shops, consisting of eight fire rooms, with kitchen, cellars, and other conveniences; let in two separate houses, and possessed by Mr. Thomson and Mr. Robertson.

II. Another HOUSE, being the uppermost storey of the tenement lying on the north side of the High Street, entering by a fore stair, within the strait of the Netherbow, and consisting of two fire rooms, with a kitchen, possessed by David Farquharson.

For further particulars, enquire at John Moir writer to the signet.

#### TO BE SOLD, BY PRIVATE BARGAIN,

**T**HE Fourth Storey of that Tenement of Land in Niddry's Wynd, presently possessed by Miss M'Pherson and Miss Gourley, with a good garret, and cellar belonging thereto, passed at pref. at separately.

The house consists of four rooms and a kitchen, with many conveniences; and as the proprietor, on account of his residence in England, is desirous to dispose of it, the whole will be sold considerably below the real value.

The title-deeds are clear; and any person wishing to purchase, may apply to Mr John Venner, at the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, or to Mr Laurence Inglis, Merchant-Street.

#### SHOPS on the High-street, and HOUSES

TO BE SOLD.

**T**o be SOLD, upon Tuesday the 1st day of February 1785, betwixt the hours of five and seven afternoon, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse.

These Two well-frequented SHOPS, on the north side of the High-street of Edinburgh, opposite to the City Guard, the one possessed by James Burnet, tea and spirit dealer, the other by Samuel Watson Tobacconist each having a back room with a fire place.—And likewise the Dwelling Houses in the Flesh-market Clof, possessed by the said Mr. Burnet and Mr. Watson, and by the following other persons, viz. Mary Monro, Archibald Amos, John Fraser, William M'Kenzie, Robert Marshall, Robert Scott, Mrs. Thomas Melis, Robert Forrest, Andrew Melis, James Yule, Robert Moyre, Thomas Heath, Mrs Strachan, Andrew Allen, Peter Melis, William Nairn, James Bald, Mrs Thomas Melis, Mrs Ruf, John Stalker, John Sutherland, Mrs Ferrier, and Robert Moir.

The gross yearly rent of the whole subjects amounts to about 112 l. scir. of which Mr. Burnet pays 24 l. and Mr. Watson 20 l.

These subjects will be disposed of together or separately, as purchasers shall incline.

The progress of rents is clear, and may be seen in the hands of Frederick Fotheringham, writer, St Andrews Street, who will show a rental and the articles of roup; and to whom any person desirous of further information, or to purchase by private bargain may apply.

#### SALE OF LANDS IN KIRKCUDBRIGHT, AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

**T**o be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse of Edinburgh, upon Thursday 10th March, 1785, between the hours of 5 and 6 afternoon.

The LANDS after-mentioned, belonging to Robert Rae, writer in Kirkcudbright, in the lots following:

Lot 1. The Lands of PEEBLE, lying in the parish of Kirkmabreck, and stewart of Kirkcudbright. These lands are set at 521. 10s. 6d. upon a tack for 16 years from Whitunday 1779; they consist of above 720 acres, partly arable and meadow, and partly muir ground; they lie within two miles of Ferry-town, where plenty of shells are to be had; part of them is already fenced, and the whole well inclosed and subdivided.—These lands hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cfs-books at 180 l. Scots. The tacks are valued. Upset price L. 900.

Lot 2. The Seller's Liferent Superiority of the Lands of CHAPEL-TOUN, lying in the stewart of Kirkcudbright. Upset price L. 15.

The articles of roup, &c. are to be seen in the hands of William Keith, accountant, or John Tait, jun. writer to the signet, Edinburgh; to either

## A HOUSE IN EDINBURGH.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, upon Tuesday 1st February 1785, between the hours of six and seven afternoon.

That Large and Commodious DWELLING-HOUSE in the Horse-Wynd, Edinburgh, which belonged to the late Mr Mackenzie of Delvin, and is now possessed by Mr Grant.

The House, which consists of four storeys, beside garret-rooms, is in good repair. The ground-storey contains a large kitchen, and pantry, a large good room with a light closet, a small room, a room for maid-servants, a room for men-servants; and below are two cellars fitted up with catacombs, and a coal-cellars.

The second storey contains a large dining-room, and another handsome room.

In the third storey is a large drawing-room, an excellent bed-chamber, with a dressing-closet, and a small bed-room.

In the fourth storey are two bed-chambers with dressing closets, a small bed-room, and store-room and closet; and above are two large garret rooms and fire places, besides other conveniences.

For the encouragement of offers the upset price will be no more than £600 l.

The house may be seen on Thursday and Friday next, between the hours of ten forenoon and two afternoon.

The title-deeds and articles of roup, are in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, to whom persons desiring to purchase may apply.

To be SOLD also by private bargain, The STABLE and COACH-HOUSE in the Society, which belonged to the late Mr Muir of Calfencarry. For particulars apply to the said William Campbell.

N. B. If the Stable and Coach-house do not sell soon, they will be let for a year from Whitsunday next.

## Sale of Subjects in Edinburgh and Prestonpans.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, on Friday the 28th January 1785, betwixt the hours of five and seven afternoon,

That Large LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE in the Advocate's Close, Luckenbooths, Edinburgh, which belonged to the deceased Lord Westhall, and presently possessed by Mr Elphington Balfour, consisting of dining-room, drawing-room, sitting-room, and fix bed-rooms and closets, with a large kitchen, cellars, hen-house, and garden.

These subjects are insured in the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance, on the old plan, at 7000 l. Scots, and the premium paid up. They will either answer to be possessed in one or two lodgings; and if purchasers incline, will be exposed in two different lots.

This lodging will be seen every Tuesday and Friday, from twelve to two o'clock.

ALSO, That Large LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE lying at the east end of the town of Prestonpans, with coach-house, stables, malt-kiln, barn, one pigeon-house, and other offices complete, with a small garden, all as lately possessed by Lord Westhall. Also, a large Garden at the back thereof, consisting of upwards of four acres, with gardener's house, stable, byre, fruit-house, and a pigeon-house, as possessed by John Taylor tenant thereof; and likewise two inclosures containing about 83 acres of land, lying to the south of the said garden.

The house consists of dining-room, drawing-room, parlour, six bed-rooms, closets, and a large kitchen, washing-house, and cellars, all in good repair. It is not only most agreeable country lodgings, but the best situate of any in the neighbourhood for bathing quarters. The garden is inclosed and subdivided with stone walls. The house and offices will be exposed by themselves, or with the garden, or with both inclosures and garden, as purchasers incline.

The subjects at Prestonpans hold partly of the Crown, and partly of a subject superior, and will be shown by Mr George Warrock of the Customs at Prestonpans; to whom, or to George Martin or Thomas Smith writers, Argyle Square, Edinburgh, persons intending to purchase may apply.

## SALE OF SUBJECTS IN LEITH.

THE following Subjects lying on the Shore of Leith, are to be SOLD by public roup, within the Ship Coffeehouse there, on Friday the 28th January 1785, betwixt five and six afternoon, in these lots.

LOT I. That Elegant LODGING all within itself, consisting of 11 fire rooms, besides kitchen, garret, and conveniences, presently possessed by Captain David Ross, and Mrs Mathefon, with the plot or area behind the house to the palling, and well in the said area. As also the large Cellar and Loft adjoining, fronting the fishmarket clofe.

LOT II. The SHOP and HOUSE on the shore, immediately below the fordsid lodging, possessed by Mr John Laidlaw, with the privilege of the well in the back area.

LOT III. The SHOP and HOUSE adjoining to the former, possessed by Mr Charles Philp, with the use also of the said well.

LOT IV. The TENEMENT fronting the Rottenrow, consisting of two flops in the ground story, and the loft and garret above, with the cooperage at the back thereof, possessed by Mr James Anderdon, and others.

The conditions of roup, and progres of wris, to be seen in the hands of Alexander Neilson, solicitor at law, Leith, to whom any person inclining to make a private bargain may apply.

## In the Counties of Ayr and Kirkcudbright.

### BY A D J O U R N M E N T.

TO be exposed to public roup, under authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament-house, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 27th of January 1785, between the hours of four and seven afternoon,

### (UPSET PRICES REDUCED)

These Parts of the Lands and Estate still remaining unsold, which belonged to the deceased JAMES M'HARG of Keirs, in the following Lots, viz.

LOT I.—The Lands of CHANG and CAIRN, lying in the parish of Barr and shire of Ayr; the proven gross yearly rent whereof is £. 98 3 2 6-12ths

From which there falls to be deducted, for the teinds, one-fifth part of the gross rents, being £. 19 12 7 8-12ths

Schoolmaster's salary, £. 0 4 7 6-12ths

£. 19 17 3 2-12ths

Free yearly rent, £. 78 5 11 4-12ths

The proven value whereof, at twenty-three years purchase, is £1870 l. 16 s. 8 d. 9-12ths, which is now reduced, by authority of the Court to the upset-price of £1500 l.

These lands are of considerable extent; they have never been measured, but are supposed to contain at least 2000 acres; the greater part of them is best adapted to pasture, particularly for sheep, but the arable land is also considerable.

There is the greatest reason to believe that these lands contain very valuable mines of LEAD, trial having been made, and some ore turned out.

They are held by the Crown, and entitle the proprietor to vote for a member of Parliament for the county.

The teinds of the above lands are valued along with the lands of Keirs, which also belonged to the said James M'Harg (now sold), and are possessed under tack from the Deans of the Chapel Royal for nineteen years after Whitsunday 1780, for payment of a proportionable part of £. 1 s. 8 d. of tack-duty.

LOT II.—The SURPLUS RENTS payable out of Lands in Galloway, let in tack by the Earl of Galloway to Mr M'Harg, and sublet by him; the principal tack whereof is still current for four years after Whitsunday 1784. The free surplus rent arising from the sublet £102 l, and the proven value whereof is £. 320, which is now reduced, by authority of the Court, to the upset price of £. 300.

The title-deeds, rentals, and articles of roup, may be seen in the office of Mr John Calendar, deputy clerk of Session; and for further information application may be made to Andrew Blane writer to the signet, agent in the sale.

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## SALE OF HOUSES.

### BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, upon Monday 31st day of January current, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

That large TENEMENT in Merchant Street, built by Patrick Taylor, smith in Edinburgh, consisting of five flats, a funk floorey, water-pipe, and other conveniences.—To be set up in four lots, viz. the first flat and funk storey in one lot; the two next flats in two separate lots; and the fourth and fifth flat in one lot.

The whole tenement has been for sometime in the possession of good tenants, and stands infred in the Friendly Insurance Office against fire.

For further particulars enquire at George Watson, at Mr Thomas McDonald's, writer to the signet, or at John Horn, wright in Edinburgh.

## LANDS IN DUMFRIES-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffee-house Edinburgh, upon Friday the 28th day of January 1785, betwixt the hours of five and seven afternoon, the following parts of the Lands and Estate of MAXWELTON, belonging to Sir Robert Laing of Maxwellton, Baronet, in the Lots after mentioned.

LOT I. The two-merk land of Caffelair, consisting of upwards of 493 acres, whereof 112 acres are arable lands; 20 acres meadow, and the remainder excellent pasture. These lands are under lease current till Whitsunday 1793; the yearly rent of them, including casualties and services, is 84l. 9s. 2d. Sterling. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT II. The two-merk land of Neiss and merk-land of Ballinnie, consisting of upwards of 447 acres, whereof about 44 acres are arable, and 19 acres meadow; the remainder is mostly sheep-pasture. These lands were rented, prior to Whitsunday 1783, at 49l. 3s. 10d. but were set, at that term, upon a three years lease, for the yearly rent of 37l. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty. There is wood upon the lands, estimated to be worth at present about a year's rent, but the stool.

LOT III. The Lands of Gordlestone or Gordonston, consisting of about 182 acres, whereof 34 acres are arable and meadow-grounds, and about three acres wood of considerable value. The lease of these lands is current to Whitsunday 1799, and the yearly rent of them, including converted services, is 39l. 7s. They are held by the Crown.

The two-merk land of Craignevy, and one-merk land of Blackmerk, consisting of about 830 acres, whereof upwards of 46 acres are arable or meadow-ground. The tack of these lands expires at Whitsunday next; the rent, including converted casualties, is 42l. 15s. 10d. and the tenant besides pays all public burdens. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT V. The three and a half-merk lands of Gillygappoch, and mill thereof; the one half of the two and a half-merk lands of Dunregan, of old extent; and the half of the forty-shilling Templands of Ingleton in Glencairn.—These lands comprise the farms now called Hill and Burnfoot, and the mill and mill-lands of Gillygappoch.

The farm of Hill consists of about 170 acres, whereof upwards of 83 acres are arable and meadow-ground. The lease of this farm is current till Whitsunday 1793, and the yearly rent is 46l. 19s. 4d.

The farm of Burnfoot contains upwards of 145 acres, whereof about 45 acres are arable or meadow ground. The former rent of this farm was 42l. It lies contiguous to the farm of Hill, and is at present possessed by the tenant of that farm from year to year, without any lease, at a rent of 26l.

The mill and mill-lands of Gillygappoch are likewise possessed from year to year, without any lease. The present rent, including converted casualties, is 18l. 15s. The mill-lands consist of between four and five acres.

The arable lands contained in this lot are very valuable, and the pasture and meadow grounds remarkably good, and there is some wood upon this lot.

The three and a half merk lands of Gillygappoch and mill thereof are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty. The other lands in this lot are held by the Crown.

LOT VI. The lands of Auchentroon and Stranhalloch, consisting of upwards of 970 acres, mostly sheep pasture, but containing about 34 acres of arable and meadow grounds. The present rent is 65l. 3s. 9d. and the farm will be out of lease at Whitsunday next. There is some wood upon it. These lands are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT VII. The two and a half merk lands of Craiglyrian, consisting of about 790 acres, whereof upwards of 17 acres are arable, and 8 acres meadow grounds.

The lands of Meikle and Little Lagg, and consisting of about 284 acres, whereof 69 acres are arable, and 9 acres meadow ground. The remainder is very good cattle pasture, and there is some wood upon these lands.

The lands of Craiglyrian and Laggans are set together, under a lease current till Whitsunday 1797. The yearly rent of them is 121l. 18s. 8d. sterling. They are held of subjects superior, for payment of trifling feu-duties.

LOT VIII. The two merk and half merk lands of Drumloch, containing upwards of 252 acres, whereof 30 acres are arable, and nearly 7 acres meadow ground. The remainder sheep pasture. The lease of this farm is current till Whitsunday 1787. The present rent, including converted services and casualties is 36l. 11s. and the lands are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT IX. The two and a half merk land of Little Dibbons and Mairtour, and two merk lands of Meikle Dibbons, consisting of 1180 acres, partly arable and meadow grounds, and the remainder pasture. These lands are let for four years from Whitsunday 1782, at the yearly rent of 55l. The former rent was higher. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT X. The lands of Breckonside, consisting of about 253 acres, whereof upwards of 74 acres are arable, and nearly 4 acres are meadow grounds. These lands are under a lease which expires at Whitsunday 1789. The rent including converted services and casualties is 38l. 14s. 6d. They are held by the Crown.

LOT XI. The lands of Fleugharg, consisting of 238 acres and upwards, whereof about 71 acres are arable, and 3 acres meadow ground. These lands are under a lease current for four years from Whitsunday 1782. The present rent is 38l. They are held of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty.

LOT XII. The fifty shilling lands of Peilston, consisting of upwards of 330 acres, whereof 76 acres are arable, and 10 acres meadow ground, and the remainder good pasture. This farm is under lease for four years from Whitsunday 1782. The present rent is 54l. 10s. sterling, and there is some wood upon it. The lands are held of a subject superior, for payment of a small feu-duty.

LOT XIII. The lands of Peilston will either be sold by themselves separately or along with the lands contained in lot XII, as may be agreed on. All the above lands lie in the parish of Glencairn, and shire of Dumfries, except the lands of Craignevy and Blackmerk in lot IV, which lie in the parish of Dunfore in the same shire. The lands in general are well inclosed, and some of them subdivided. The estate of Maxwellton is cannot at present be mentioned with certainty, but a scheme divided the valuations is made up, upon principles which it is thought will be approved of.

The teinds of the whole lands above mentioned are valued, and will be sold along with the lands, excepting only the teinds of the lands in lot IV, lying in the parish of Dunfore, which were valued to far back as the year 1634, and are exhausted or nearly so, by the stipend payable to the minister.

The rental of the lands is in the hands of Commissary Goldie at Dumfries. A copy of it, with the current leases, and the plans and measurements of the lands, together with the title-deeds, which are perfectly clear, and the articles of sale, are in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, to whom any person inclining to purchase at the roup, or wishing to make a private bargain, may apply for further particulars. The tenants will show the lands.

## A HOUSE and SHOP to be SOLD.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 28th day of January current, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

All and Whole that LODGING and SHOP on the south side of the High Street, Edinburgh, opposite the back of the City Quay, entering from the pavement by four stairs of a few steps, and consisting of a shop, kitchen, dining-room, three bed-rooms, and two garrets, as at present possessed by Mr William Miller hatter.

The conditions of sale and progress of the title-deeds may be seen in the hands of John Young writer, Kincaid's Court, previous to the sale.

## JEANFIELD, near Edinburgh, to be SOLD.

TO be exposed to sale, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 9th day of February 1785, at six o'clock afternoon.

The Lands of JEANFIELD, formerly called STAINGFLAT and PILEFLAT, lying within the parish of Newbattle, and situated in Edinburgh. There are upon the lands a good mansion-house, offices, and pigeon-house, with two gardens, well stocked with fruit-trees of the best kinds: The other trees are remarkable for size, and of great value.

They are pleasantly situate on the banks of the river South Esk, within half a mile of Dalkeith; a rivulet runs through the fields, and at a small expence they might be improved to one of the finest villas in this country.

They hold fee of the Crown, for payment of 2s. 6d. excepting for acres, which hold of a subject superior, for payment of 6d. two-thirds of a penny; and they pay to the minister of Newbattle 2l. 6s. 8d.

The title-deeds, and conditions of sale, will be shown by John Gray writer to the signet.

To be Sold by public roup, in John's Coffeehouse, on Tuesday the 1st of February 1785, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon.

## THE Dwelling-house, Garden, and Inclosure at Jock's Lodge.

at Jock's Lodge, a mile east from Edinburgh, on the north side of the road leading to Musselburgh. The house consists of a dining room, servants-room, kitchen, and closets, on the first floor; a small drawing-room, two bed-rooms, and bed-closet, on the second floor; and two large garrets fitted up for bed-rooms, and has a variety of pheasants and other conveniences.

There are upon the premises a stable, chaise-houise, byre, milk-houise, and several other out-houses. The park consists of little less than three acres, and is well laid out. These subjects hold fee of a subject for payment of an yearly feu-duty of 7l. 7s. 11d. Sterling.

As also, that LODGING, back and fore, being the fourth storey above the shops, in that tenement of land called Bishop's Land, lying on the north side of the High street of Edinburgh, a little below